

STUDENT HANDBOOK



“Your Digital World”

July 1-21, 2018

WELCOME to GHA

Where every minute is an opportunity

What an enviable position you are in. You have read about GHA, and you have heard your friends—and maybe even your parents—rave about it. In July 2018, however, all the hearsay falls into the background as you experience GHA yourself.

We are proud to present the West Virginia Governor's Honors Academy at Marshall University. This unique program celebrates the achievement and potential of more than 170 of the state's most promising scholars and citizens.

Governor's Schools are truly a community effort. Funded by the legislature and requested in the governor's budget, all Governor's Schools of West Virginia are currently administered by the Office of the Secretary of Education and the Arts. Beginning July 1, the Governor's Schools will be under the auspices of the West Virginia Department of Education. The host institution, Marshall University, will assure that GHA is like no other academic experience.

The information provided in this booklet should also answer many of the questions that parents/guardians have about the GHA. Participation in this heralded program provides an opportunity for rising seniors to meet and interact with other students and adults in a rich academic environment that facilitates and encourages creativity, exploration, and collaboration. In some cases, students may receive scholarships from the college they choose to attend. The colleges - not the Honors Academy itself - award such scholarships.

We are happy to congratulate you not only for exploring the world of academia, but for having the wisdom to know that GHA is where you should spend three exhilarating weeks this summer. The Governor's Schools have long been shining stars in our state's education opportunities. You are now part of that magnificent brilliance.



Director of Governor's Schools

Introduction

Please read through the information contained in this handbook carefully. It contains information on just about everything you need to know about GHA. If you have any questions that aren't answered here, contact Cara Bailey or Mallory Carpenter, co-deans of GHA at Marshall University, or Mrs. Sherry Keffer, the director of Governor's Schools. In addition to rules and procedures, this handbook includes an introduction to the staff and a description of the Academy's theme.

In addition to this handbook, you will be sent a pre-arrival packet from GHA at Marshall University that provides more specific information on when to arrive, what to expect when you get to GHA, a sample daily schedule, and information about the last day.

The Governor's Honors Academy is an excellent opportunity for you to meet and interact with other accomplished students and adults in an enriching and invigorating academic environment. At GHA, you will explore topics of particular interest to you. You will be living and learning on campus at Marshall University as a representative of your school and county.

GHA will challenge you academically and spark your curiosity as you explore your new digital world. Moreover, you will meet other talented and driven young West Virginians and develop friendships that will last the rest of your life.

By accepting a position with this year's Academy, you agree to behave with integrity and treat others with respect. You will be required to abide by all rules and regulations included in this brochure. These guidelines are necessary for you to have the best possible learning experience.

If you decide not to accept your invitation, please notify Mrs. Sherry Keffer, sherry.l.keffer@wv.gov, immediately. You may not use your original acceptance in any application or news release. Only students who complete the Academy are known as GHA Scholars.

We wish you a successful and enjoyable experience at the Governor's Honors Academy at Marshall University. See you July 1!

Opening and Closing Dates

- **Move-in: July 1st from 9am – 12pm**
- **Check-out: July 21st at 10am.**

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Policies and Procedures

Residency Policy

- Students are expected to remain on campus. Parents, family, and friends are **NOT** to visit. Emergency leave requests should be sent to the deans.
- Students may **NEVER** leave campus alone and without informing the appropriate GHA staff.
- Students will be living in First Year Residence Hall (Freshman South).

Visitation Policy

- Students may not entertain non-GHA visitors, including family.
- Students are **NOT** permitted to visit other groups or dormitories while on Marshall's campus.
- Students may visit with members of a different sex **ONLY** in the dormitory lounge or common areas, not in student rooms.

Motor Vehicles

- Students may neither ride in nor operate a motor vehicle unless driven by appropriate GHA staff.

Cell Phones, Computers, and Personal Electronics

- Use of cell phones and other electronic devices is limited to trips and free time **ONLY**, unless otherwise approved or instructed by GHA staff.
- If you have a phone, you must give your RA your phone number.

Attendance and Participation

- Students are required to attend and actively participate in all regularly scheduled classes and events.
- If it is necessary to miss a class, the student must notify the instructor in advance and the absence must be approved by appropriate GHA staff (faculty or deans) ahead of time.
- The same policy applies to event absences.

Field Trips and Leaving Campus

- Students are required to follow established travel schedules, dormitory curfews, and established town ordinances regarding curfews for minors.
- When off-campus, students **MUST** stay in an RA-or faculty-chaperoned group at all times.
- Students may **NOT** leave Freshman South without permission, and not at all after dark.
- Students **MUST** travel in groups of three (**3**) or more on campus or downtown if no RA or staff member is present.

- Students wishing to attend religious services must follow policy established for such, outlined in the Pre-Arrival packet.

Drug Policy

- Tobacco, alcohol, drugs, and other chemical substances (with the exception of prescription or OTC drugs that GHA staff have been made aware of) are **PROHIBITED**.

Trash

- There are trash rooms located on every hallway of Freshman South. All trash should be taken there. Marshall University does have a recycling policy; ask your RA where to take your recyclables.

Other Policies

- GHA photo ID must be worn and visible at all times.
- If the fire alarm sounds, everyone is to exit the building and assemble at designated safe areas for roll call.
- Dress clothes are to be worn at certain specified events, which will be outlined in the Pre-Arrival Packet.
- GHA t-shirts are to be worn as instructed on trips including, but not limited to, Pittsburgh.
- Offensive writing or images on clothing is prohibited.
- Appropriate shoes and shirts are required in classrooms, activities, field trips, and the dining hall.
- RAs must accompany students to all classes on the first days of the Academy.
- **Keep it clean. Freshman South is one of the best dorms on campus and we intend to keep it that way. Please be respectful of each other, the building, GHA staff, and ESPECIALLY University Housekeeping.**
- Students in Freshman South have the luxury of a private bathroom, shared only with one roommate. However, Housekeeping does not clean those restrooms. Therefore, during the three weeks of GHA, you will be responsible for maintaining a tidy sink, toilet, and shower.
- Stairwells are to walk from one floor to the next, not a place to hang out. Please keep them clean and clear.
- Students are to be in their rooms and in bed by **11:00 pm**, unless otherwise instructed by GHA faculty and staff. This means that if an RA walks the halls, he/she should neither be able to hear noise from your room nor see the lights on. The bathroom light is okay to leave on.

Disciplinary Action

Certain behavior is incompatible with the philosophy of GHA. As representatives of your schools, communities, counties, and the state of West Virginia, you are expected to be exemplary citizens. All staff members are responsible for disciplinary action in response to misbehavior. In other words, every adult is the “boss.” There are three levels of discipline, determined by the nature, frequency, or severity of the infraction:

1. Verbal reprimand by staff with written notice to the Deans;
2. Written warning by the Deans. Parent/guardian will be notified, and;
3. Dismissal from GHA.

The Deans, in consultation with the appropriate faculty, staff, and the State Director, will make final decisions regarding dismissal from GHA.

Should a student be dismissed, the Deans will immediately contact the student's parents or guardians. A dismissed student must be picked up by a parent/guardian within 12 hours of dismissal. While waiting to be picked up, the student will pack personal belongings under staff supervision and be separated from other Academy members. A letter stating the reason for dismissal will be sent to the parent/guardian, high school principal and county superintendent of schools.

Be advised that Marshall University and the West Virginia Governor's Honors Academy will cooperate with all university, local, and state authorities regarding investigations or illegal activities.

Causes for Disciplinary Action

Students who leave campus without authorization, leave the room after “room check” during off-campus travel, engage in activities threatening the safety of themselves or others including leaving assigned groups when off campus, or who violate the tobacco, alcohol and controlled substance abuse rule will be dismissed immediately. There will be no second chances.

Other reasons for dismissal include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Unexcused absence;
- Disobeying visitation policies;
- Unauthorized use of a vehicle;
- Unauthorized riding in a vehicle with another person;
- Tampering with fire alarms or security systems;
- Harassment/ bullying;
- Failure to follow faculty, staff, or campus security's directions;
- Behavior unbecoming of a member of GHA.

***If you have any questions or concerns about these policies, feel free to ask your RA or any other member of the GHA 2018 staff. These policies are in place to provide you with a safe, fun, and enriching experience.

Now that you've read the "cannots and musts," it's time to learn about your life at Marshall University.

Living Accommodations

- GHA will be housed in the Freshman South residence hall on the Huntington campus. It is located between 5th and 3rd Avenue near the Joan C. Edwards football stadium. The dorm can house up to 782 students in all double-occupancy rooms. Freshman South is one of Marshall's newest buildings, opening in August 2008.
- Freshman South has a kitchenette, recreation lounges, study lounges, and a pool table or ping-pong table. Every room is equipped with heating/air conditioning, cable amenities, high speed internet, and a private bathroom.
- Mail is delivered to Freshman South daily. Outgoing mail will be picked up from the same location.

Address letters in the manner that follows:

Student Name
415 Thundering Herd Drive
Freshman South Residence Hall
Huntington, WV 25703-9603

1. If you do not have a cell phone, a telephone will be available that may be used for local calls or with a phone card for long distance.
2. Laundry facilities are located on the first floor of Freshman South. Quarters are needed to operate the machines. Basic laundry supplies are provided, but special detergents are the responsibility of each attendee.
3. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are served in Harless Dining Hall. Hours will be announced when you arrive. A salad bar is available during lunch and dinner.

CAMPUS RECREATION

Marshall's facilities are open for your use at appointed times. Activities available include table tennis, billiards, television and theater rooms, tennis, badminton, and volleyball. You

will have access to the Student Recreation Center, which features a pool, a hot tub, a fitness center, three basketball courts, and a climbing wall.

YOUR ROOM

1. Each room is furnished for two students with twin XL beds, desks, chairs, dressers, and large open closet space. Each room has a full, private bathroom. Freshman South has a social lounge, study rooms, coin-operated laundry facilities, vending machines, and television viewing areas. The entire complex is air conditioned.
2. You may bring an iPod or MP3 player but not a big music system. It is important that you respect the rights of your fellow students by not playing music that can be heard outside of your room. Use headsets or ear phones, if necessary.
3. You will be issued a key to your room. A fee of \$50 will be charged to rekey your room if the key is lost or not returned.
4. Your room should always be locked when you and your roommate are gone. Missing items should be reported immediately to your resident assistant.
5. If you plan to keep snacks in your room, you must bring airtight containers for storage.
6. You and your roommate are ultimately responsible for the maintenance of your room, all activity that goes on in your room, and any damage that occurs during the Governor's School.
7. Your room should be made neat and orderly before your first morning class. It may be inspected at any time by residence hall personnel.
8. Early in the program, a fire evacuation plan will be explained and a fire drill may be held. When the alarm sounds, you must leave the building. You will be expected to report to an assigned area where roll will be taken.
9. No items are to be hung or displayed outside residence hall windows.

Items to Bring

Clothing Requirements

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| A variety of tops of different weights | Shorts | Jeans |
| Slacks | Sleepwear | Rain gear |
| Jacket | Umbrella | |
| Comfortable walking shoes | | |

Two dress outfits

- Men: Dress shirt & tie, coat optional
- Women: Business casual dresses or dress slacks and blouse
- Dress shoes

Items You WILL Need

Sheets and mattress cover for a Twin Extra-Long bed

Toiletries-- toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant, cosmetics, sunscreen

Garbage bags

Blankets

Pillows/pillowcases

Washcloths/towels

Alarm

Laundry basket or bag

Preferred detergent/Dryer sheets

Quarters for Laundry Machines

Optional Items

Bedside lamp

Workout clothes

Musical instruments

Hair dryer

Camera

Sports equipment

Board/Card Games

Radio/mp3 player/iPod

Cell Phone

Swimsuit

Yoga Mat

Laptop/tablet and chargers

Notebooks

Pens/Pencils

Hangers

Snacks

Water Bottle

Items You May NOT Bring

TV

DVD/BluRay players

Toaster oven/toaster

Coffee maker

Large fitness equipment

Air conditioner

Video games consoles/equipment

Hot plate/hot pot or any electric cooker

Microwave

Refrigerator

Grill

Make you own packing checklist here:

GHA 2018: Your Digital World

The GHA curriculum for 2018 is designed to illustrate the ways in which technology impacts our world today.

Your digital world is full of limitless ideas, opinions, opportunities, and education. However, limitless does not convey benevolence. Today's students must think critically to sort through these limitless ideas to define their path as unique digital citizens.

At GHA 2018 students will learn the skills they need to build a positive and fruitful digital world, and be good digital citizens. We also aim to help our students improve their lives away from traditional technology.

The program will feature a combination of Plug-In and Reboot activities. These Plug-Ins are intensive seminars that aim to connect students more deeply with their digital world. Reboot activities encourage students to disconnect from the digital and focus on their mental and physical health, as well as become engaged with the Huntington community.

Thoughts we will consider during GHA include the following: how can we best use technology to enhance our academic and work environments? What limits, if any, should be placed on the use of technology in everyday life? What impact does digital have on our concept of art and literature?

All these questions are essential to understanding and navigating the growing digital world we live in. GHA will help students think about these issues and others. Students will think critically about technology and begin to find solutions to problems within our digital environment.

Get to Know Our Staff

Cara Bailey, Co-Dean

Cara Bailey is the coordinator of Marshall's prestigious Yeager Scholar Program. She has been with the Honors College since 2014. After earning her BA in Print Journalism with a minor in Political Science from Marshall in 2006, Cara worked for the *Huntington Herald-Dispatch*, *The WV Record*, and the *Charleston Daily Mail*. She also worked as a freelance journalist for a variety of publications. Cara has a passion for working with successful, enthusiastic students and for supporting her community. As an involved member of the Marshall and Huntington community as well as a loving mother of two wild, loveable youngsters, Cara is always on the move. Cara loves to spend time with her children and husband, Thomas. She also enjoys adventuring across the bike paths, rivers, and trails of West Virginia.

Mallory Carpenter, Co-Dean

Mallory Carpenter has been serving as the first Program Manager for the Honors College's Office of National Scholarships since 2015. She earned her BA in English from the University of Charleston, then went on to earn her MA in English from Ohio University. Mallory has been involved on Marshall's campus since 2010, serving on the English Department's Budget Committee and Hiring Committee and later as Interim and then Assistant Coordinator of Composition. As the National Scholarship Program Manager, Mallory assists Marshall students in applying for major scholarships and has helped many students to success, including winners for Fulbright Summer Institutes and the Boren Scholarship. Mallory is interested in contemporary literature and loves helping students from low socio-economic backgrounds succeed. In her free time, Mallory spends time with her husband, young son, and pets. She enjoys reading and Netflix binges.

Ryan Adkins, Technology Director

Ryan Adkins is part of the classroom technology support team at Marshall. He has worked in the Information Technology field in various capacities for fourteen years, earning a Masters degree in History from Marshall along the way. Ryan enjoys teaching faculty how to use technology in the classroom and learning about how they incorporate new tech into their teaching pedagogies. Ryan is an avid gamer in his spare time, and also loves to hike in the nearby State Parks with his wife, Kris, and their dog, Roxy. If you ever want to talk Star Wars, Tolkien, or superheroes, Ryan's your guy.



Rebecca Turnbull, Resident Director

Rebecca Turnbull is a recent graduate of Marshall University, with BAs in Broadcast Journalism and Public Relations, and minors in Constitutional Democracy and English. She graduated as a recipient of Marshall University's full-ride, four-year Yeager Scholarship and as a member of the Honors College. In 2013, she attended the Governor's Honors Academy at West Virginia University, where she realized her own educational potential and made many fun memories with lifelong friends. This coming fall, she will be attending The Ohio State University's Moritz College of Law as a recipient of the college's full-tuition Eminent Scholarship, where she plans to study public law and litigation.

Victoria Endres, Lead Intern

Victoria Endres is a senior Literary Studies and Creative Writing major at Marshall University. She is from Saint Albans, West Virginia and is the oldest of three children. Victoria is a Yeager Scholar and recently studied in Madrid and Oxford as a part of this program. An involved member of the English Department, Victoria is the undergraduate representative on the English Department's Undergraduate Programs Committee and the Literary Studies representative for the Student Advisory Board. Victoria has had works published in a variety of genres in four literary journals, including Marshall's *Et Cetera*. Victoria attended GSMS in 2011 and GHA in 2014.



Derek Zelkowski, Intern

Derek Zelkowski is a senior undergraduate student at Marshall University where he majors in International Affairs and Economics with minors in French and Political Science. Originally from Wheeling, West Virginia, Derek spent the last summer studying abroad in Poland and Ukraine. Since coming to Marshall, Derek has been a part of the Comic Book Club, Rotaract, and Young Democrats. He currently serves as a university French tutor and a tutor for student athletes in a variety of subjects. After his graduation next May, Derek plans to attend a graduate program in Economics. Derek is a lover of comics, cats, and coffee. Derek attended GHA in 2014.

Sonia Chandi, Social Media Intern

Sonia Chandi is from Canada and played ice hockey for Marshall's Men's Ice Hockey Team. Currently, she's bilingual, speaking English and Punjabi fluently (but almost trilingual with French!). She graduated from Marshall this May as a Yeager Scholar and will attend medical school at West Virginia University in the fall. She majored in Biology with a concentration in Pre-Med and minors in Chemistry and French. She performs research in a neuro-toxicology lab, was the president of the Marshall Rotaract Club, and worked for Doctors Without Borders in Australia! She's excited to have some fun with you all this summer.



Cody Hood, Faculty

Cody is a full-time instructor in the math department at West Virginia University while working towards completing his Ph.D. in mathematics, also at WVU. His degree in math will have an emphasis in Research in Undergraduate Mathematics Education focusing on student understanding of the definite integral in an application context. He received his Bachelors of Science in Math in 2013 along with his Masters of Science in Math in 2015, both at WVU. This is Cody's fifth year teaching at the Governor's Honors Academy and he looks forward to sharing his knowledge and gaining even more. In addition to relishing his time at GHA, Cody has a particular interest in running and statistical and data analysis, with an emphasis in fantasy football.

Kelly St. Pierre, Faculty

This will be Kelly's fifth summer with GHA, and she is pumped. She holds a Ph.D. in Musicology from Case Western Reserve University and is currently working as an Assistant Professor of Musicology at Wichita State University. In addition to her other recent publications, Kelly's first book, *Bedřich Smetana: Myth, Music, and Propaganda*, was released last spring by the University of Rochester Press. She is also working on her second book, *Measuring Czechness: Musicology, Ethnicity and the State*, which is an invited submission to the University of California Press.





Dan Hollis, Faculty

Dan Hollis is a professor in the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications at Marshall University. Hollis is the 2012 Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and Council for Advancement and Support of Education West Virginia Professor of the Year and the 2011 recipient of Marshall University's Marshall and Shirley Reynolds Outstanding Teacher Award. He also regularly produces award-winning video projects on a full range of topics including the

rodeo, road bowling and glass making. His videos can be found on [youtube.com/danhollisvideo](https://www.youtube.com/danhollisvideo). This is his 17th year teaching for GHA.

Toneta Akers-Toler, Faculty

Toneta Akers-Toler is the Founder and Managing Artistic Director of West Virginia's only professional touring dance company in the history of the state. Toneta has a degree in dance from Pittsburgh's Point Park Conservatory of the Arts. Other training included the Dance Kinetic Institute in New York City, Demonstrator at Alvin Ailey's American Dance Center and three summers at Duke University with the American Dance Festival. Toneta received the WV Governor's Award in 2005 for "Excellence in the Arts."



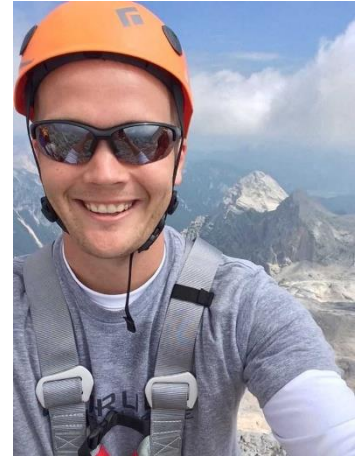
Karen Gergely, Faculty

Karen Gergely is a native West Virginian with a strong heart for Appalachia. She earned a BFA from Shepherd University and an MFA in Fine Arts from The University of Cincinnati, DAAP. Her work is rooted in community based art and social practice, where she encourages communities to learn together, share experiences, skills, traditions, and

stories in the name of art. Gergely is an Assistant Professor of Art at Graceland University in Lamoni, Iowa, where she teaches a myriad of studio classes, professional seminars, art history, and art ethics. Gergely is an avid adventurer and loves long distance hiking and bike packing. She recently was inducted into the lowan traditions of bicycling across the state for RAGBRAI and eating deep fried everything at the State Fair.

Chris Edwards, Faculty

Chris Edwards is an attorney and alumnus of the West Virginia Governor's Honors Academy (class of 2005). A graduate of Washington and Lee University School of Law, Chris has worked as a litigator for a major WV law firm, as a law clerk for a federal trial judge, and is currently an attorney for the Federal Election Commission in Washington, DC. In his free time, Chris serves as a mentor with the DC Family Youth Initiative, does pro bono litigation through the DC Bar, and participates in endurance events like the GoRuck Challenge. He is excited to return for his second summer as a faculty member.



Uyi Lawani, Faculty

Dr. Uyi Lawani is an Assistant Professor of Management (Strategy) in the Lewis College of Business at Marshall University. He teaches both undergraduate and graduate students. He earned a B.Sc. in Microbiology from the University of Benin in Nigeria, an MBA (Finance) from East Carolina University, and a Ph.D. from the University of North Texas where he was a Robert B. Toulouse Fellow. He was awarded the Second Annual Lewis College of Business Dr. Robert B. Alexander Mentorship Award in 2017. This is his first year teaching at GHA.

John Shirley, Faculty

After attending GHA as a student in 1995, John Shirley earned a BA in English, with minors in theatre and communications, from Bridgewater College, as well as both an MLitt and an MFA in Shakespeare and Renaissance Literature in Performance from Mary Baldwin College (now Mary Baldwin University). He has nearly two decades of experience teaching in public and private high school and college classrooms. In addition to his work as an educator, he currently serves as dramaturg for the Rustic Mechanicals – West Virginia's only touring Shakespeare company. This will be his nineteenth consecutive summer with the Governor's Honors Academy.





Adam Booth, Faculty

Adam Booth's storytelling blends traditional folklore, music, and an awareness of contemporary Appalachia. His past appearances include Teller-In-Residence at the International Storytelling Center, New Voice at the National Storytelling Festival, the National Storytelling Conference, the Appalachian Studies Association Conference, Spoken Word Resident at the Banff Centre, collaborations with the West Virginia Dance Company and Goose Route Dance Company, and events in 20 states. He is a member of the Recording Academy. Awards for stories and recordings include two Parents' Choice Silver Honors, four Storytelling World Awards and Honors, and four West Virginia Liars' Contest wins. He is most at home sharing stories and music with the next generation of listeners and tellers throughout Appalachia.

Ian Nolte, Faculty

Ian Nolte lives in Huntington, West Virginia and teaches for the English Department at Marshall University. He is passionate about writing, filmmaking, and digital media—and how those three things intersect. This is his first time teaching at the Governor's Honors Academy, but he did attend GHA as a student in 1998.



Daniel O'Malley, Faculty

Daniel O'Malley has taught at Marshall University since 2012. Currently he serves as the English Department's Coordinator of Undergraduate Programs and mainly teaches courses in creative writing and contemporary literature. This year he received the Council of Chairs Award for Excellence in Teaching. His BA is in anthropology, from Washington University in St. Louis, and also earned an MFA in fiction writing from the University of Florida. His short stories and essays have appeared in a variety of publications, including 2016's *Best American Short Stories*, and on NPR's *Selected Shorts*.

Cody Lumpkin, Faculty

Dr. Britton Cody Lumpkin was born in North Georgia, around hog-killing time. He earned a BA in English and Philosophy at the State University of West Georgia, an MFA in poetry at Purdue University, and a PhD in English at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. His poetry has been published in *Tar River Poetry*, *Prairie Schooner*, and *Rhino*. He currently serves as a Visiting Assistant Professor in the Department of English where he has taught film courses on James Bond, Star Wars, and the Marvel Cinematic Universe.



Hugh Costello, Faculty

Hugh Costello grew up in Clarksburg, WV and earned a BS in Mechanical Engineering from WVU. He later earned an MS in Mechanical Engineering from MIT in 1985. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in the State of West Virginia. Over 25 years he has held positions as a design engineer at places like Oak Ridge National Laboratory and GE Aircraft Engines. His designs have involved robots, manufacturing automation machines, automated military tanks, mining equipment and hydraulics, and aircraft turbine engines. Currently, he is the Chair of the Engineering Technology Department at Fairmont State University and teaches as an Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering Technology. He resides with his wife, Sandra, and four children in Fairmont, WV.



Doug Squire, Faculty

Doug is from Charleston, WV, attended GHA in 1998 at WVU, and has taught at GHA since 2011. He graduated from Nitro High School and has a B.A. and an M.S. in mathematics from WVU. Doug has been on the mathematics faculty at WVU since 2006. In 2010, he won the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences Outstanding Teaching Award, and in 2011, he won the WVU Foundation Award for Outstanding Teaching. He was debate team captain at WVU and has coached debate both at WVU and Pace Academy in Atlanta, GA. He is coauthor of the textbook *Applications of Calculus*. He likes to play racquetball and ski and is a huge WVU fan. Let's Go Mountaineers!



Luke Bonar, Resident Assistant

Hi, I'm Luke Bonar, a junior chemical engineering student at West Virginia University and was a student at GHA in 2015. I'm pretty easy-going and quite the sweet-tooth. I would also consider myself a little bit of a huge nerd. I'm a big fan of board games and tabletop games as they provide a unique and fun way to socialize and get to know people. I'll also try to compete against others in anything from Mario Kart to badminton for the same reasons. I hope to have a lot of fun and play a lot of games with you all this summer at GHA!



Caralee Casto, Resident Assistant



Caralee Casto is a GHA alumnus and was a 2015 Cabell County delegate. Caralee is from Barboursville, West Virginia, and an honors student and upcoming junior at Marshall University. She is currently dual-majoring in Japanese and International Affairs, with a minor in Religious Studies. This August, Caralee will begin studying abroad at Kansai Gaidai University in Japan and will attend classes relating to both of her majors during the year.

Outside of school, Caralee is an avid traveler, concert-goer, singer, and part-time cellist. She balances most of her free time between her friends and playing video games.

Martha Ellis, Resident Assistant

Hi everybody! My name is Martha Ellis and I'm from Chapmanville, WV. I currently attend Marshall University, where I work as a Resident Advisor and a tour guide. I am dual majoring in Biochemistry and Spanish, and hope to attend Dental School after undergrad. In my free time, I love to play volleyball, Frisbee, kayak, and paint. I attended GHA in 2014 at Fairmont, and absolutely LOVED it. I am incredibly excited to return as a Resident Assistant this year to help make your GHA experience equally as amazing!



Amna Haque, Resident Assistant



I'm Amna Haque and a rising junior at WVU, where I am a Biomedical Engineering major with minors in Psychology and Women and Gender Studies. I am an active member of several student organizations, including Engineers Without Borders and Psych Club. I have also begun research with a Psychology professor who is working in collaboration with the School of Dentistry. I love baking, cooking, swimming, and traveling and grew up in Bridgeport, WV. I attended GHA at Fairmont State University, and this is my first year working as an RA at a Governor's School.

Brandon Henderson, Resident Assistant

My name is Brandon Henderson and I am a junior with the Accelerated BS/MD Program at Marshall University majoring in pre-med Biology with minors in Chemistry and Psychology. I'm a part of Marshall's Honors College and various clubs on campus. In my spare time, I run in half-marathons, enjoy volunteering in the community, watching sports with my friends, and playing with my dogs. I'm outgoing and love getting to know new people. I enjoyed being a student at GHA in 2015 and am excited to return as an RA this year to make it a great experience for everyone.



Nikki Kanuri, Resident Assistant

Nikki is majoring in finance and economics at the University of Kentucky. She attended the Governor's Honors Academy in 2014.



Cameron Kiner, Resident Assistant

My name is Cameron Kiner, I'm going to be a junior at West Virginia University and am double majoring in History and International Studies and minoring in German. I am a tuba player in the Pride of West Virginia – The Mountaineer Marching Band. I am president of Kappa Kappa Psi – Omicron, a service fraternity for the college marching and concert bands. I graduated from Nitro High School in Kanawha County. My favorite book is *Slaughterhouse-Five* by Kurt Vonnegut. My favorite recent film is the *Man*

from U.N.C.L.E.

Dalton Minger, Resident Assistant

My name is Dalton Minger. I am a rising junior at West Virginia University studying both Computer Science and Mathematics. I work as a teaching assistant for Applied Calculus and as a raft guide on the Youghiogheny River! I love the outdoors whether I'm chilling in a hammock, hiking, climbing, kayaking, skiing, soccer, or anything in between. I attended GHA in 2015 at Fairmont State University and this will be my first year working for the program.



Sarah Nix, Resident Assistant

Sarah recently graduated with a double major in international affairs and Japanese from Marshall University. She is excited to have her first governor's academy experience this year as an RA.

Madison Perry, Resident Assistant

Hi, I'm Madison, and I'm from Huntington, West Virginia! I graduated from Huntington High School in 2017. I attended GHA in 2016, and I will forever cherish the memories that I made! I am a rising sophomore at Transylvania University in Lexington, Kentucky, and I'm studying English, Political Science, and Writing, Rhetoric, and Communication (WRC). I'm also a member of Chi Omega, and I serve as an Admissions Ambassador for Transylvania University. I enjoy reading, writing, sports (especially hockey), and binge-watching my favorite TV shows.



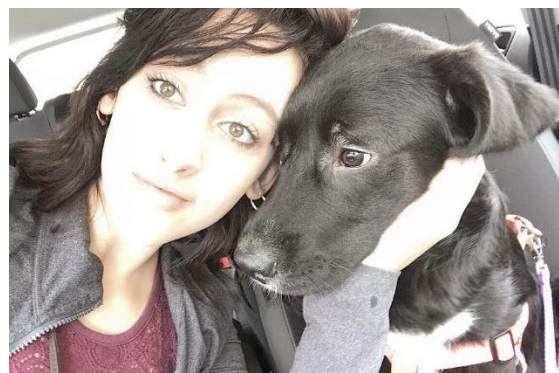
Sean Riggleman, Resident Assistant



Sean Riggleman grew up in Fairmont, West Virginia and graduated from Fairmont Senior High School in 2015. Sean is a senior at Fairmont State University where his two majors are Accounting and Business Administration with a concentration in Finance. Sean is an active member of the Honors Program and serves as the Treasurer for Fairmont State's chapter of Delta Mu Delta, Kappa Omicron. Sean plans to attend WVU after graduation for Forensic Accounting. This is Sean's third year working with GHA and the past two have given him memories that he will cherish forever. Sean's favorite thing in life is music.

Rikki Rogers, Resident Assistant

My name is Rikki, like Rikki-Tiki-Tavi, and it isn't short for anything. I am a senior double major in psychology and Spanish at Marshall and a hardworking mother of one 18-month-old Black Lab named Adelaide. I spend my free time with her, eating too much ice cream, and taking bubble baths and powernaps. I'm the oldest of seven siblings and have an additional Little Sister through Big Brothers Big Sisters. GHA was a highlight of my high school experience, and I look forward to returning this summer as an RA.



Olivia Rogers, Resident Assistant

I'm a Yeager Scholar studying Mechanical Engineering and Spanish at Marshall University. I grew up in Huntington, WV, and my hobbies include running, hiking, gardening, and reading. After graduating, I hope to pursue a doctoral degree in Aerospace Engineering and possibly work in spacecraft design. I am so excited to work with you for what is sure to be an excellent three weeks!



Payton Salmons, Resident Assistant



Payton is a senior at Marshall University and has lived in West Virginia since she was 12. She is an English major graduating in December and this is her first time working with the GHA, which she is very excited about. She has a deep love for literature and writing and, though she prefers fantasy and sci-fi, she will pretty much read anything. When she graduates she plans to move to Ohio where she will attend grad-school and hopefully one day teach at a university level and/or become a famous writer.

Ken Wu, Resident Assistant

Hello I come in peace, and my name is Ken Wu. I was a GHA student in 2015, so I know you will have the time of your life while you are here. Here's just a little about myself. I'm a student at WVU. I'm studying Aerospace Engineering. I enjoy playing board games, playing music, karaoke, and learning random knowledge. You know, for trivia nights! I hope to see you all soon.



Frequently Asked Questions

1. **If I am selected for another honor during the summer, may I come to GHA for part of the time and then leave a few days early to be in another program? What if there's a family wedding? Can I miss a day or two?**
 - a. No. The commitment to GHA is for the full 21 days, and you will be excused only for a verified emergency. Everyone is expected to attend the entire time with no exceptions for weddings or other planned events.
2. **Will there be time to check e-mail?**
 - a. Yes. There are times during the day when students may go to a number of places to check e-mail or to do computer research. In addition, the campus has Wi-Fi, so you can use your personal devices to check for messages.
3. **Can my parents or friends visit during GHA?**
 - a. No. GHA is designed so that you can be totally focused on the activities planned for you. Parents, other family members, and friends are not permitted to visit. Those from the Huntington area need to pay special attention to this.
4. **Will I get the classes I request?**
 - a. Possibly. The classes are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. We do attempt to see that students are enrolled in their first or second choice in either the broad-based or intensive class. Although you may not get your top choice, there are no bad choices.
5. **Will attending GHA enhance my scholarship opportunities?**
 - a. **Some** colleges and universities award financial aid over and above other scholarships for students who complete GHA. You will need to check with the respective institution financial aid office to see if they offer such a scholarship. Scholarships are not financed by the Governor's Schools; neither are they guaranteed.
6. **Will I receive college credit for the GHA classes?**
 - a. No. The classes at GHA are for your enjoyment and intellectual and academic enrichment. Although you will work hard in the classes, they are not designed to meet the requirements of a college-credit course.

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